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PSC OPENS CASES TO CONSIDER WHETHER TO ADOPT CERTAIN STANDARDS CREATED BY THE FEDERAL ENERGY POLICY ACT OF 2005

JEFFERSON CITY---The Missouri Public Service Commission has opened five separate cases to determine whether to adopt certain energy conservation and efficiency standards the federal Energy Policy Act of 2005 added to the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA). The areas to be considered are: Net Metering; Fuel Sources; Fossil Fuel Generation; Time-Based Metering and Communications; and Interconnection.

Pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 2005, the Commission is required to start consideration of the standards no later than August 8, 2006 for some of the above cases; August 8, 2007 for the others. In order to comply with the Energy Policy Act, the Missouri Public Service Commission must consider and determine whether to adopt each of the new section 111 (d) standards with respect to electric utilities under PSC jurisdiction.

Applications to intervene and participate in one or all of these proceedings must be filed on or before **July 24, 2006**, with the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. Copies of the application should be sent to: Steve Dottheim, Chief Deputy General Counsel and Dennis Frey, Senior Counsel, Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102; and the Office of the Public Counsel, P.O. Box 2230, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

According to the PSC Staff, PURPA's general objectives are to encourage: 1) conservation of electric energy, 2) efficiency in use of facilities and resources by electric utilities, and 3) equitable rates to consumers of electricity.

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Case Nos. EO-2006-0494, EO-2006-0496, EO-2006-0493, EO-2006-0497 & EO-2006-0495